

Good Baseball Season for Columbia

COLUMBIA IS BEST OF COLLEGE TEAMS

Blue and White Loses Only One Game—Tufts, Harvard and Syracuse Do Well.

TUFTS IS LEADER AT BAT

Columbia, Tufts, Harvard and Syracuse are the leading college baseball teams of the season of 1916. Worked out on a purely percentage basis Columbia is entitled to the championship inasmuch as it lost only one game of 20, played, 18 being victories and one a tie.

Tufts, on the other hand, lost two games out of 22, while Harvard dropped three out of 24 and Syracuse three out of 22.

Columbia's only defeat was at the hands of Cornell, while the Blue and White played a series of fifteen meetings, Tufts, Harvard, Yale, New York, Cornell, defeated Dartmouth, Yale, Lafayette, Fordham twice, Union twice and Colgate among others. Tufts was defeated by Bowdoin and Harvard, while Harvard fell victim to Brown, Boston College and the Catholic University.

The weather kept Columbia from playing, Harvard either of the games scheduled, while rain interfered with Columbia's return game with Cornell.

The Blue and White, however, seemed to be the match of any team in the country in the closing weeks of the campaign, and were the only team to pitch a perfect game, that of George Smith, who in five games allowed only 12 hits, struck out 34 men and was scored on only once. Next, the Columbia second string twirler, pitched in only two of the last seven games and yielded only four hits and two runs. With such pitching Columbia was unbroken.

Tufts and Harvard were evenly balanced and the Medford team in Whitaker had a pitcher second only to Smith. The Crimson had reliable pitching furnished by Mahan and Whitney, and although it was not as spectacular as the brand of twirling displayed by the Columbia pair it was hardly less effective.

Columbia and Tufts combined their fine pitching with heavy hitting. Tufts led all the teams with an average of .315, while Columbia had only a few points behind with .283. Harvard had an average of .258.

Team of Tufts was the most powerful individual batsman, compiling an average of .488 for 20 games. Stanford, a teammate, in the same number of games had .405, and Stanford led in stolen bases with a total of 24.

The standings:

INDIVIDUAL BATTING

NAME	TEAM	POS.	GAMES	BATTED	HITS	AVG.
Landis, Tufts	Tufts	3	20	58	8	.455
Schoellkopf, Columbia	Columbia	3	20	58	26	.450
Wade, Columbia	Columbia	3	20	58	26	.450
Park, Columbia	Columbia	3	20	58	26	.450
Conrad, Columbia	Columbia	3	20	58	26	.450
McNamee, Army	Army	3	20	58	26	.450
Ashburn, Columbia	Columbia	3	20	58	26	.450
Carroll, Wisconsin	Wisconsin	3	20	58	26	.450
Carroll, Tufts	Tufts	3	20	58	26	.450
Levy, Columbia	Columbia	3	20	58	26	.450
Harvard, Harvard	Harvard	3	20	58	26	.450
Barto, Harvard	Harvard	3	20	58	26	.450
Hannigan, Col	Col	3	18	56	26	.458
Conrad, Army	Army	3	20	58	26	.450
Whitaker, Tufts	Tufts	3	20	58	26	.450
Yank, Tufts	Tufts	3	20	58	26	.450
Capo, Wesleyan	Wesleyan	3	20	58	26	.450
Rawle, Lehigh	Lehigh	3	20	58	26	.450
Wade, Wesleyan	Wesleyan	3	20	58	26	.450
McCarthy, Gettysburg	Gettysburg	3	20	58	26	.450
Conrad, Harvard	Harvard	3	20	58	26	.450
Bamie, Fordham	Fordham	3	20	58	26	.450
Conrad, Yale	Yale	3	20	58	26	.450
John, Penn State	Penn State	3	20	58	26	.450
Gerard, Lafayette	Lafayette	3	20	58	26	.450
Shanahan, Columbia	Columbia	3	20	58	26	.450
Anderson, Tufts	Tufts	3	20	58	26	.450
Johnson, Brown	Brown	3	20	58	26	.450
Dunn, Brown	Brown	3	20	58	26	.450
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